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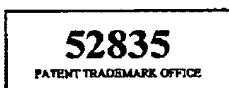
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	US 4,610,469	09/1986	Wolff-Mooij			
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						YES	NO
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